STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1383

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 9 2015

RE: S.R. No. 57 S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.R. No. 57 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE REESTABLISHMENT OF THE WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH AND RISK ADJUSTMENT FOR MEDICAID, GAP-GROUP, AND UNINSURED INDIVIDUALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the reestablishment of a working group to examine social determinants of health and risk adjustment for Medicaid, gap-group, and uninsured individuals.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and Hawaiii Primary Care Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services.

Your Committee finds that social determinants such as housing, education, social services, leisure activities, culture, and public safety may have significant impacts on the health and well-being of individuals within specific demographics and in the general population. To address disparate health outcomes amongst specific demographics and improve the overall health and well-being of the overall community, current best practices in health planning support policies that consider the social determinants of health-vulnerable groups. Accordingly, this measure urges the

reestablishment of a working group to examine social determinants of health and risk adjustment for Medicaid, gap-group, and uninsured individuals.

Your Committee notes the concerns raised in testimony from the Department of Human Services that there may be some overlap in tasks assigned to current and proposed task forces and working groups. The Department of Human Services also noted that the size of the working group proposed by this measure is large, which may make it difficult to identify priorities, work on issues, and reach agreement on all items the working group must address. Your Committee understands these concerns and believes these issues merit further discussion as this measure moves through the legislative process.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 57, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 57, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection,

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection CPN

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:							
The Recommendation is:							
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313							
Members		Aye	Aye	(WR)	Nay	Excused	
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)							
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)	-			-			
KAHELE, Gilbert							
KIDANI, Michelle N.			-				
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.							
WAKAI, Glenn							
SLOM, Sam						/	
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Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted							
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Muhille A Kilani							
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